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Subject: Microsoft Settlement.

Hello,

This is Craig Bergh from Worthington, MN . I do not want to see the quick settlement for Microsoft. They must have their day on court. They have manipulated the market in a thousand ways.

Today's offer to give some copies of Microsoft products to schools is laughable. Their new software literally a new Pentium 4 computer to even run a simple word processor. And this maneuver only entrenches their monopoly

A few years ago they forced Wordperfect out of business when they would not give the source code to Windows (so Word Perfect could write the program for Windows 95) until a week or two before it was released. At the same time, Microsoft literally gave Microsoft Word for free with all new computers. Word Perfect market share dropped from 70% to 4% overnight. This was a cold example of using the monopoly power of Windows to also dominate the Word Processor market as well.

The Microsoft products are really not very well written, have poor security from hackers, and crash frequently. Yet because they dominate the market so much, we are forced to deal with the second rate software.

This is the United States of America. Microsoft MUST GO TO COURT and defend their behavior. I am sorry the first judge screwed up the case with his pretrial comments. He was probably right, but the judge must be unbiased.

Keep up this case. Do not be in any hurry to settle. Get the facts, determine if any laws have been broken. If so, determine a penalty appropriate for the crime.

Sincerely,

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